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Pontoon cop gets award

McKinney disarmed
bomb in '92 incident

By Michael Heil
Staff writer

Capt. Dan McKinney of the Pontoon Beach Police Department has a vast knowledge of explosives which he learned as a Marine and as an officer with the Venice Police Department.

McKinney used that knowledge to save the lives of four family members or prevent serious injury as he deactivated a bomb hanging from the exterior of a trailer.

He received the Silver Star award in June for his bravery in that incident. It was presented to him recently by the National Association of Chiefs of Police.

"I was surprised and proud to get it," McKinney said. "I

adore my wife."

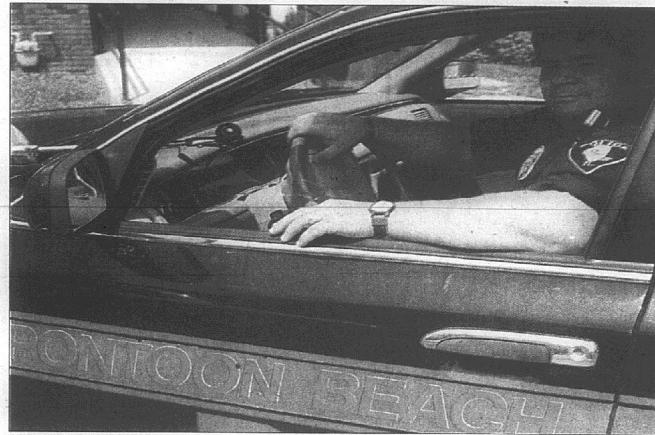
PONTON BEACH — Capt. Dan McKinney of the Pontoon Beach Police Department recently received the Silver Star award for saving the lives of four people when he deactivated a bomb in 1992.

Capt. Dan McKinney of the Pontoon Beach Police Department recently received the Silver Star award for saving the lives of four people when he deactivated a bomb in 1992.

McKinney was dispatched to the trailer because of a possible burglary in progress. When he arrived, the owner said he saw a person fleeing

from the back of it. McKinney said he ran in that direction, only to see a large package

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Mike Heil photo

Chemetco faces new lawsuit by landowners

Residents of Long Lake area may add to suit

By Dennis Grubaugh
Staff writer

As many as 600 landowners along a allegedly contaminated river in the Mississippi River could be parties to a suit filed against Chemetco Inc. of Hartford.

Company officers facing federal conspiracy charges were named as defendants in the lawsuit filed this week in Madison County Circuit Court.

The lawsuit accuses the company and seven of its officials of installing a "secret" discharge pipe leading from the plant to a nearby ditch that drains into neighboring Long Lake and an adjacent wetland. The pipe allegedly was in place from September 1988 to September 1996.

Chemetco operates a foundry on the east side of Illinois Route 3, south of the Cahokia Canal, for the purpose of smelting copper-bearing

scrap and other materials.

The pipe was used to discharge large amounts of excess wastewater that had collected within the plant and was contaminated with substantial amounts of zinc, lead, cadmium and other pollutants, the lawsuit says.

Attorney Stephen M. Tillery of Belleville is representing the lone plaintiff, property owner Elroy Paschedag Jr. of Granite City.

If the lawsuit is certified as a class action, which should take about six months,

Paschedag could be joined by between 400 and 600 other owners of property contiguous to Long Lake, Tillery said.

The lake basically is a branch of the Mississippi River that meanders for miles south of Hartford, sometimes no more than a stream, Tillery said.

Named as defendants in the civil case are: Denis L. Feron,

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Business' massage sign concerns citizens



The sign for "A Rare Touch," located at 609 Broadway, has generated some fears among Venice residents that a massage parlor is coming.

Officials to look into legality issue

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A sign announcing that a business will soon be offering therapeutic massage has generated some fears among Venice residents that a massage parlor was coming.

At Tuesday's City Council meeting, several people said they

concerned about a sign at "A Rare Touch," located at 609 Broadway, announcing that the company would soon be offering therapeutic massage.

Mayor Tyrone Echols said he was looking into the matter.

He said Venice resident Lenni Johnson Jr. received a business license to sell incense and other products at that location. However, Echols said he did not believe the business has sought or received a license to offer

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Two will be honored at Leadership Council dinner

Salute to Southwestern Illinois event is Thursday

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Jim Squires of Granite City Steel and Robert A. Wetzel of TheBANK of Edwardsville will be honored by the Leadership Council of Southwestern Illinois at its annual Salute to Southwestern Illinois Dinner.

The dinner is set for 6 p.m., Thursday at the Granite City Convention Center in Collinsville.

This is the 18th year for the dinner. The keynote speaker will be Steve Jankowski, a reporter for KSD-TV, Channel 5.

Squires, senior vice president of Granite City Division, National Steel Corp., is being honored for his national role in the Stand Up For Steel campaign to limit the dumping of foreign steel.

Squires is the first Granite City native to have worked his way up to the top executive position at Granite City Steel.

He began in the mill in 1956 as a laborer in the Blast Furnace Division.

Squires and his wife Carol live in Ladue and have two daughters, Elizabeth and Susan, and two granddaughters.

Wetzel, president of TheBANK of Edwardsville, has been involved in the community since joining the Edwardsville Jaycees in 1960.

He is now serving on 18 organizations'

boards or advisory committees, including St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association, Greater St. Louis Economic Council and Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville Foundation, and Anderson Hospital.

James Pennenkamp, executive director of the Council, said the dinner is intended to "identify and talk about economic progress" in the Metro East area.

At the first dinner, he said, the region's transportation agenda was "fully funded" through the Illinois First program.

"Most of the big ticket items on the Illinois First agenda have been on the Leadership Council agenda for the past 10 years," he said. "We have had a common agenda for years and years, and it's well-known to the state."

The Council has emphasized infrastructure development — especially transportation infrastructure — as a way to attract new business.

One measure of the economic development in the Metro East is, Pennenkamp said, that in the past he could name almost all the construction projects going on in the region, but because there are so many, he cannot keep track of them all.

The cost of the dinner is \$40. For information or tickets, call the Leadership Council at 692-9745.



Tim Stephenson photo

Cracker's Restaurant is located at 1533 Johnson Rd.

Restaurant fulfills his dream

New Crackers Restaurant offers variety of food

By Michael Heil
Staff writer

Soups and salads, Steaks and chicken, Crackers Restaurant has a variety of food and appetizers to choose from.

GRANITE CITY The quaint, family oriented dining establishment opened its doors July 2 at 1533 Johnson Rd. Paul Batsios, the proprietor, said he hopes that his restaurant can add a little flavor to the community.

"We have a lot of tasty food," Batsios said. "This is a

friendly environment to dine at."

Crackers features a spacious dining room area and a cozy bar, with several pictures nestled along the walls. It serves soups, some of which include Cuban black bean with ham, Greek Lentil and cream of broccoli. Mousse-tasting souffles are a dining specialty.

Friendly waitresses are happy to serve Kansas City and New York strips, tenderloins, and an occasional prime rib.

"We have a lot to offer from," Batsios said. "That's what customers seem

to like."

Batsios, who was born in Greek Macedonia, has been in the restaurant business 31 years, learning the trade in Michigan before moving to his current home to become the proprietor of the popular

Crackers Restaurant at 9th and Walnut in downtown St. Louis after moving from Detroit to Granite City. Since he's lived in a desire to open a Crackers in town.

"I'm here and I'm glad," Batsios said. "I'm back looking forward to this for a long time."

Batsios said that his wife, Kristinia Christich, and their daughter, Alexandra, 13, will be part of the business, once they get settled in.

Their 9-year-old son, Thomas, Batsios said, is a tad too young.

Restaurant hours are from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The bar is open until midnight. The restaurant's number is 451-4818.

1,968 graduate at Illinois State University

A total of 1,968 students at Illinois State University in Bloomington-Normal completed requirements for the bachelor's degree at the end of the spring 1999 semester. Following is a list of students from the area:

COLLINSVILLE: Richard Porter.

KNOCKINGBUSH: Brian.

GRANITE CITY: Catherine Dix, Karla Kamadulski and Christopher Ronkey.

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Churches

Granite City

GRANITE CITY FOURSQUARE CHURCH will celebrate its Summer Jubilee at 6 p.m., July 24 at the Legion Hall, 1111 Pontoon Road. Dinner and entertainment tickets are \$20 each and must be purchased by July 13. Entertainment tickets only are \$10, and will be available at the door. The featured guest will be Aaron Wilburn with other local talent. For more information, call 451-2912.

Pontoon Beach

THE PONTOON BAPTIST CHURCH, Illinois 111 and Pontoon Road, has worship services at 8 and 10:45 a.m. on Sunday. Cemetery is available for infant to 3 years.

Coffee time is at 9 a.m.; Bible Study is at 9:30 a.m.; Preschool ship is at 10 a.m.; Young Church (first through fourth grades) is at 10:45 a.m.; Sunday's message is "Treasure your birthright." *****

Rehearsal time is at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday followed by Adult Choir practice at 7:45 p.m.

Pig-kissing set

Call For Help Inc. is sponsoring its second annual "Kiss-The-Pig" fundraising contest on July 23 at the St. Clair County Fairgrounds.

Call For Help Inc. operates a food and clothing pantry and three shelters (one for youths, one for adults, and the newest — a transitional women's shelter).

This year's candidates were chosen from among those prominent in the community. Alison Belz-Danigan, Dr. Kay Bennett, Uliana Buxton, Keith Cook, Julia Crunk, Father Jim Dieter, Evelyn K. Duncan, Mario Garcia, Tom Gandy, Dr. Heldecker, Colette Kennett, Dr. Morris Kugler, Diane Lanter, Larry McCulley, Tom Mentzer, Terry Schaefer, Dr. Mark Schueler, Larry Schubert, Dr. Susan Shapiro, Kim Stephens, Father Louis Studer, Ann Thomure, Louis Tiemann, Tom Verner, and Dennis York.

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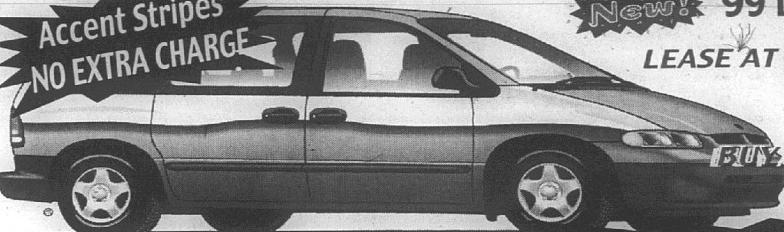
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Obituaries

Mary Stawar

MARY L. STAWAR, 81, of Granite City, died at 3:38 p.m. Wednesday, July 7, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

She was born Jan. 30, 1918, in Jerseyville. Mrs. Stawar was a resident of Pontoon Beach for 65 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Marion Stawar; her parents, Frank and Pauline (Sackett) Rhodes; brother, William (Bill) and four sisters, Julia Voloski, Pauline Burns, Martha Stawar and Terese Rhoads.

Funeral services were Saturday, July 10, at Werner-Mick Funeral Home in Granite City with the Rev. Henry C. Grimes officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

Edward Varble

EDWARD L. VARBLE, 55, of Pontoon Beach, died at 8:49 a.m. Thursday, July 8, 1999.

He was born Dec. 10, 1943, in Calumet, Ill. Mr. Varble was a mechanic for the U.S. Postal Service and Andy's Service Station.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly (Loyse) Varble; two sons, Craig and Michael; a daughter, Linda Varble of Granite City; three brothers, Marvin Varble of Livingston, Kari Varble of Edwardsville and Law-

rene Varble of Staunton; two sisters, Frances Leona Wallace of Cottage Hills and Pat Graizer of East St. Louis; two grandchildren, Kyle and Ashley Varble.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Viola (Hansen) Varble.

Memorials to the family are suggested.

Velda Tyler

VELDA (CARISBOW) TYLER, 67, of Granite City, died at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday, July 7, 1999, at Sunrise Care and Rehabilitation in Edwardsville.

She was born Nov. 1, 1931, in Blooming Rose, Mo. Mrs. Tyler had been a resident of Granite City since 1968.

She is survived by her husband, Ernest Wayne Tyler; two daughters, Martin Mitchell of Houston and Lori Sue Givens of Granite City; Steve Six of Granite City and John Six of St. Louis; two step-daughters, Deborah Robbins of Dallas and Diane Morris of Granite City; three step-sons, Danny Tyler of Granite City and Darin Tyler of Edwardsville; one son, Vivian Noah of Oxnard, Calif.; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl Cassidy.

Funeral services were Saturday, July 10, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

Clifton Blankenship

CLIFTON EZRA BLANKENSHIP, 80, of Powder Springs, Ga., formerly of Granite City, died Monday, July 5, 1999.

He was born Aug. 13, 1920, in Hendrickson, Mo. Mrs. Wood had been a member of Daughters of the American Revolution, the Rebekah Lodge.

She is survived by her husband, Alvin Blankenship and a sister, Asa Lee Smith of Decatur.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Luella (Ridge) Blankenship and a brother, Rubin Harshbarger.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, July 12, at Irwin Chapel with the Rev. C.E. Bell officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Rebekah Lodge.

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He was a World War II U.S. Navy Veteran, surviving Pearl Harbor. He was a member of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, USA Tennessee Association, VFW Post 1200, and the National Safety Council. He was a former President of the Tri-City Chamber of Commerce, St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City and American Legion Post #294 in Powder Springs.

He is survived by his wife, Mary (Loyse) Varble; two sons, Craig and Michael; a daughter, Linda Varble of Granite City; three brothers, Marvin Varble of Livingston, Kari Varble of Edwardsville and Law-

John Mitchell

JOHN ROBERT MITCHELL, 39, of Mulberry Grove, formerly of Granite City, died at 9:05 a.m. Saturday, July 10, 1999, at Utica Hospital in Greenville.

He was born June 24, 1960, in North Carolina, R.I. Mr. Mitchell worked for Tom's Auto Repair in Granite City as an auto mechanic.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Gladys (Nelson) Mitchell; a son, William E. Mitchell; two step-daughters, Linda and Vickie Mitchell; and Amy Messick of Effingham; five brothers, Michael Mitchell of Des Moines, Iowa, James Mitchell of Belvidere and Vince Mitchell and Tony Mitchell both of Granite City; and two grandchildren, Jason and Taylor Jones; both of Granite City.

He is preceded in death by his father, John E. Mitchell and a brother, Kende Mitchell.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday, July 11, at Werner-Mick Funeral Home in Granite City. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, July 12, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City with the Rev. Greg Dickerman officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

Mary Kelio

MARY ANN (MORAN) KELIO, 78, of Granite City, Mo., died at 10:38 a.m. Wednesday, July 7, 1999.

She was born Dec. 6, 1920, in Granite City. Mrs. Kelio was a widow residing in Granite City. She worked for Masa Elaine Inc. in St. Louis for 20 years, she was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Granite City and LGWU.

She is survived by two sisters, Christine Beningo of St. Charles and Cosima Hall of Sturgeon Bay, Wis.

She was preceded in death by her husband Nicholas W. Kelio; her parents, John and Antonina (Manino) Marano; two brothers, Ralph and John Marano; and two sisters, Anna Sanders and Rosa Moran.

Visitation will be from 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 11, at Thomas Mortuaries in Granite City. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, July 12, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City with the Rev. Tom Liebler officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials may be made to the St. Jude's Children's Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

Nelda Schlemer

NELDA P.(PHILLIPS) SCHLEMER, 76, of Edwardsville, died at 8:10 a.m. Thursday, July 8, 1999, at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis.

She was born July 6, 1923, in Granite City. Mrs. Schlemer along with her husband, the late Walt Schlemer, whom she married on April 27, 1946, in Edwardsville, owned and operated the Wally's Radiator Shop in Granite City.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Edwardsville, VFW Post #1299 Auxiliary, the Elks Club, the Edwardsville Board of Realtors, Illinois State Realtor and National Realtor Association.

She is survived by a son, Philip Schlemer of Edwardsville; a brother, Lloyd "Bud" Phillips Jr. of Edwardsville; and two sisters, Shirley and Sydney Schlemer.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Lloyd R. and Velma M. (Schmidling) Phillips.

Funeral services were Saturday, July 10, at Weber Funeral Home in Edwardsville with the Rev. Richard Neil officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorals may be made to the Metro East Humane Society.

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Where Beautiful Things Begin

Lawn looking a little shabby? Perhaps there's an area that previously was home to a swing set or volleyball court. The old wood won't take another year and all you have left is a big bare area? Take heart. Fixing things up isn't tough to do.

Wouldn't it be better to wait until fall? Ideally. Yes. Fall's the best time for any type of planting, including lawns. But, just like planting flowers and shrubs, you can still tackle it in the summer if you provide enough water.

Before you begin, though, find out what caused the area's demise and correct the situation. The above mentioned items are obvious, but some aren't. There may be pests in the lawn just waiting to chew up a repair.

Following are steps in repairing large areas.

Get rid of all vegetation in the affected area. This will permit your new lawn to get off to the best possible start. Use a non-selective product that will remove all vegetation, but allows you to replant with seed, fast days. This is very important. Many vegetation killers sterilize the soil for up to a year, so be careful and choose the correct one.

Once all the weeds and grass have shriveled up, mow the area very closely and rake up the clippings.

Apply a good quality topsoil to the area, and mix it in with the existing soil. If you're working on an area that's a swimming pool once occupied, you must likely have sand sand to deal with. If it's not a lot of quantity, you can mix it in with the existing soil and top soil. Excessive sand should be removed; it won't hold moisture and the new lawn may dry out prematurely.

At this stage, it's time for seeding or sodding. If you're seeding, it's best to use a quick-germinating type of seed such as Perennial Rye. In the fall, or next spring, you can sow the permanent seed.

Scatter grass seed at the rate shown on the package,

and lightly work it about a quarter of an inch into the soil, using the back of a

rake. Then water the area as you would a new lawn, keeping the seedlings constantly moist. This is very important. If the seeds dry out, they won't grow.

Many people apply a layer of straw on top of the new seedlings to keep them moist, and it's a good idea. But don't let it all dry out, or the straw may blow all over the neighborhood.

Once the grass blades reach a height of about three inches, they can be mowed to a height of two inches. Make sure your mower blade is sharp, or it can pull the young grass blades right out of the ground.

Don't apply any weed controls until the lawn has been mowed three times.

Small areas are repaired in much the same manner, but you have another option, and that's Lawn Repair. Frank's has everything you'll need right in the bag, seed, mulch and all.

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If you're going to sod, the area should be prepared the same way as if you were seeding.

Water, water, water! As we mentioned earlier, things can dry out fast this time of year, so you'll have to do more watering.

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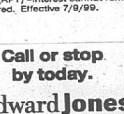
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Letters to the editor

Not enough involvement

TO THE EDITOR:
 Sexual Assault Victims First (SAV-1st) is not closing as a result of mismanagement. Several factors have led to the current status of the center.

From the beginning, the Board of Directors had difficulty recruiting a sufficient number of dedicated individuals who were willing to give their time, talent and treasure to a board that required active involvement. The available pool of volunteers today is dwindling as nearly everyone works and has family responsibilities or other commitments that very often prevent them from actively participating.

Many individuals came and left within a short period, thus leaving a handful of people to do the work of the board.

SAV-1st was required to raise 10 percent of what they received in grant money from the primary funder. This was a primary responsibility of the board.

With a genuine commitment from only a handful of people, a small organization and a cause that few people are willing to embrace, fund-raising was also difficult. Initially, the organization was named "Victims First" and was to be designed to provide assistance to all types of victims (burglary, murder, fire), which would be reflected in the appeal and might then have attracted more community involvement.

ICASA discouraged this idea and wanted to fund a "single-service" organization; thus the focus changed.

Negative press from local newspapers never helped the center. Even when positive events occurred with the center, this news was strategically reported by the media.

In an attempt to mitigate bad press, I was told specifically by newspapers that our goals were different and their goal was to "sell papers"; thus, they took advantage of a fledgling organization to sell a few papers.

The center was never able to attract a competent, mature, professional executive director capable of effectively relating to the community, the primary funder, ICASA and the board. This constant turnover of directors contributed to the instability of internal systems and an overload for already exhausted board members.

As might be the case in some agencies when an administrative position is vacant, some of the work could be turned over to "line" staff. Not the case with SAV-1st, as ICASA would object to this, until the center would be in financial trouble.

Therefore, whenever there was a vacant director position, the board had to perform these functions.

ICASA views themselves as more than a funding source.

As a result, they tend to micro-manage.

None of the top administrative people with ICASA have ever worked at a center; therefore, they have no frame of reference for the stress they cause a struggling center.

Their management style reflects the very issues they try to heal with victims of sexual assault — fear, lack of trust and a need to control. These issues prevent the establishment of an honest, professional, business relationship.

ICASA also has a need to investigate every concern brought to their attention by disgruntled staff members, which only weakens the management of a center and perpetuates chaos.

For all these reasons, SAV-1st is closing. However, the primary reason for the closing of SAV-1st is the lack of involvement and investment by the citizens of Madison County. Not enough of the right people came forward.

REBECCA K. CARR
 Founding Member
 Past Board President
 SAV-1st

4th amendment rights

TO THE EDITOR:
 Did our forefathers not say in the U.S. Constitution that people are entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness? Also, did our forefathers not place rules within the Constitution, known as Amendments, to protect the right of the people?

The Fourth Amendment is one of those rules, stating that the people have the right to be secure in their person, houses, belongings or papers against unreasonable searches or seizures, and that no one can violate the right that no warrants will be issued but upon probable cause (proof of a violation of the law), supported by oath or affirmation, that shall particularly describe the place, the persons, the things to be seized or searched.

The Fourth Amendment became part of the original Bill of Rights to stop Writs of Assistance (general warrants), because our forefathers believed that a person's right to privacy was important. The Fourth Amendment has no gray areas that say business can establish Writs of Assistance (drugs, etc.). Also, it gives the government the power to impose *Mala Prohibita* laws (nonpermissible rules imposed by society to regulate particular types of behavior).

Now, if searches can only be by the rules set forth with in the Fourth Amendment, then why are people being forced to comply with drug testing? Where is it in the Constitution that says that people have to give up their rights just to earn a living?

If these people have the right under the First Amendment to express grievances about constitutional wrongs, then why does the Supreme Courts, both state and federal levels, not listen to the people? If the Supreme Courts fails to

uphold the Constitution of the United States, can the people ask for their resignations? If so, I am asking.

WILLIAM GAINES
 O'Fallon

City council highlights

TO THE EDITOR:
 I would like to comment on two items that were topics at the Fairview Heights City Council meeting June 15.

First, the Gateway Grizzlies. Contrary to all reports, Fairview dumped the Grizzlies not the other way around.

The first motion on the agenda that evening was by Alderman Lydia Cruz that simply said, "Move not to pursue further negotiations with Bayview Baseball LLC." After some phone lobbying took place, Grizzlies representative Rich Saenger knew he did not have the support to overcome the motion, so he wisely withdrew Tuesday morning. I believe it's called saving face.

Next, to the storm on June 11. If the people affected want to know where the bulk of the water is really coming from, here is what to do:

The next time it rains heavily, wait (only if you're tall, please) swim or boat to the Malinda Plaza developments. Go to the rear of Lowe's and watch the waterfall dump on Malinda, Illinois 159-Highway 50; you get the picture.

The water doesn't sweep you away, work your way around Lowe's and locate the so-called detention basin. When you do, notice how much water is in it and if it seems to have "any" correlation with the deluge pouring from the back. You see, the detention basin is located incorrectly.

BEV MATTISON
 Fairview Heights



Court ruling says common sense should prevail

Did the Illinois Supreme Court chicken out the other day?

The Court recently upheld the constitutionality of a bill containing language for the 1995-1996 state budget. The ruling brought a wave of relief to the Statehouse because if the Court had gone the other way, the state budgets for most of this decade could have been declared null and void. A little background:

A couple of years back, the Supremes killed a law that bailed out a fund to subsidize the cost of underground gasoline storage tanks. The legislation also included a much-ballyhooed provision which publicized the names of convicted sex offenders. The bill also contained language to allow employers to eavesdrop on their workers.

The Illinois Constitution forbids the General Assembly from passing legislation that contains more than one subject. The so-called single-subject clause was ignored for over two decades until the Supreme Court finally took notice in 1997 and began killing legislation, starting with the gas tank/sex offender eavesdropping law.

The General Assembly had lumped the three topics under the broad banner of "public safety" as a cursor not to the single-subject clause. Legislators pooh-poohed warnings of constitutional problems.

After all, everyone knew that the single-subject clause was a joke, and the Supreme Court had never shown much of an interest in

the clause.

Then, earlier this year, the



Rich Miller

telling the General Assembly how to conduct its business.

Ops. The law was so blatant that the Court felt it had to act.

The Supremes ruled that the single-subject clause demanded that all the pieces within individual bills had to do more than just relate to a broad topic. The real test was whether each piece related to each of the other pieces. Yes, leaky underground gas tanks, sex offenders and outlaw employees could all be considered a danger to public safety, but they had nothing to do with each other.

Why did the General Assembly put all of those things on one bill? Nobody wanted to be responsible for a group gas tank provision on its own because it required a teeny tiny increase in the gas tax. Combining it with the sex offender bill forced people to support it because they would have had a very difficult time explaining to the folks back home why they voted with the perverts. The eavesdropping thing was just sort of sneaked through by the business lobby.

Then, earlier this year, the

Supremes used their single-subject reasoning to kill a law that combined a truth-in-lending provision with a barely-noticed provision in the Hospital Lien Act. Both were government functions overseen by local state's attorneys, but neither had anything whatsoever to do with the other.

Fast-forward to the other day.

This time the Court took up a bill that changed 21 different public acts, including the Pension Code, the Riverboat Gaming Act, the Adoption Act, the Unemployment Insurance Act and the Probate Act. It also imposed a new tax on cigars.

And this time, the Court upheld the law. Why? Well, all the pieces related to implementing the state budget, wrote Justice Michael Bilandic for the majority.

Or, but don't worry, it still relates to each other, right?

Right, but Bilandic suggested that individual parts of legislation could be a bit different as long as they were not "obviously discordant." In other words, legislators can bend the single-subject clause, but they can't break it. This ruling will almost definitely generate more court fights over what is and isn't "obviously discordant," which will be very good for the lawyers.

And in the short term, it will probably be bad for everyone else, either. If the Court had struck down that law, the ramifications of eight nullified

state budgets would have been absolutely mind-boggling. Taxpayers might have demanded refunds, state aid might have had to be returned. All in all, not a good thing.

But two justices, James Heiple and Moses Harrison, strongly dissented. The two argued that the Court had effectively nullified the single-subject clause by saying that individual legislative pieces didn't always have to relate to each other.

That's probably an overreaction, even though you could make a case that the Court acted more out of the practical concerns for the potential consequences of striking down the law than for the precedents.

But way back in 1971 the Supreme Court banned "discordant provisions" that by no intent can be considered as having any legitimate relation to each other." In other words, use that good old common sense. Leaking gas tanks and sex offenders? No. Budget enactment provisions? Yes.

Of course, common sense and constitutional law don't always mix too well.

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News

Lawsuit over fatal accident is settled

By Dennis Grubaugh
Staff writer

A civil lawsuit stemming from a fatal accident last year has been resolved in Madison County Circuit Court.

The family of John J. Higginbotham, 80, of Edwardsville, has been awarded a \$100,000 settlement in a \$100,000 death suit resulting from the crash Sept. 3 on Illinois 159.

MADISON COUNTY — The driver who caused the crash, John F. Nunes Jr. of Gillespie, was settled last week. Nunes was also found liable in the same usage and placed on 90 days' court supervision.

The traffic ticket was given to Nunes by the Illinois State Police after his northbound Chevy 1500 truck

swerved across the center line and hit Higginbotham's southbound 1985 Chevrolet Astro minivan, about one mile of Moro Road.

Higginbotham then was hit in the rear by a 1992 Plymouth Sundance driven by Nathan Bloodworth Jr. Higginbotham was pronounced dead about two hours later at Alton Medical Hospital.

Nunes' attorney, Rand Hale of East Alton, said Nunes, 44, was not charged with anything more substantial than the ticket because drugs or alcohol did not play a role in the 10:30 a.m. crash.

"The only information (police) could develop was that he simply fell asleep at the wheel. He was such a state when they found there that it was hard to tell exactly what happened," Hale said.



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Chemetco faces suit

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All but Campbell are awaiting trial in U.S. District Court in East St. Louis on charges of conspiracy for violating the federal Clean Water Act in connection with a secret cooling water

maneuver from 1988 to 1993.

The federal indictment alleged that Feron ordered Campbell to use employees from Campbell's own shop business, Industrial Fabrication and Repair Inc., to pull the pipe.

The pipe eventually was discovered by inspectors with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, officials said.

"The facts as they are determined in federal court will be important to the civil proceeding," Tillery said. The federal case is expected to be heard in January.

Massage sign prompts concern

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massage therapy. "Some ladies were rather upset about the idea of having it there," he said.

"Frankly, it's legal if it's normal," he said. "But he steps out of line when he has no other option but to close it."

A sign at the business — formerly a dentists' office — said the company offered "therapeutic massage" and "therapeutic massage," and that appointments were necessary.

Johnson could not be reached for comment, and nobody answered a knock on the business door Tuesday.

To operate a massage business, the owner would have to apply for a business license, and the masseuses would have to be licensed by the state, said Police Chief James Newsome.

In March, the city enacted an ordinance banning sex-oriented businesses. At the time, Eholoh said he heard of no plans to bring any into the city, but just wanted to be prepared.

McKinney receives honor

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dangling near the rear window.

Looking at it, McKinney said, he noticed that it contained a battery and clock with several cooling wires.

"At that point, I knew it was some sort of bomb," he said.

"I yelled, telling everyone to get out of the area," he said.

The mother and baby were inside the trailer in close proximity of the window, but, according to McKinney, the woman did not hear him scream. Consequently, he said, he had to climb through the window to remove the bomb and cut the wires, thinking it would

explode at any second.

"It had to be done. If I would have entered, it might have been too late for all of us," he said.

The state's bomb disposal unit later confirmed that the device was an operable explosive ready to detonate minutes before McKinney deactivated it. The device contained nine pounds of haul and BB's with enough power to spray them through the back of the trailer and into the surrounding residences.

It also contained a backup battery, which would have detonated the device if the first timing mechanism would have failed.

Falter named to Bradley dean's list

The following students have received recognition on the dean's list for the spring semester at Bradley University in Peoria: Sarah Greene and Christine Smith, both of Belleville; and Tarr Falter of Granite City.

To be eligible for the dean's list a student must achieve a minimum 3.5 grade-point average for the semester on a 4.0 scale.

Vickers hired by Venice

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with finding a replacement so I can leave as soon as possible," he said.

He said the problems with the district "made me sad."

"In all of my association with the district and the board, that's never happened to this extent," he said.

Vickers spent 33 years with the district before retiring in 1987.

He started in 1948 as a teacher at Lincoln School, the district's all-black grade school and high school. In 1961, he

was named principal of the school, and became assistant superintendent in 1966.

He was named superintendent in 1974, a position he held until his retirement in late 1987. He came back for part of the 1990-1991 school year as interim superintendent.

In a related matter, a criminal case against Doughty was again continued in Madison County court Thursday. Doughty had been charged with counts of withholding employees pay, a Class C misdemeanor.

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Entertainment

Spike Lee's 'Summer of Sam' is an old-fashion scare movie

Film takes a look at life in 1970s' New York City

Theater owners, check those IDs. "Summer of Sam," Spike Lee's riff on the 1970s serial killer Son of Sam, is an R-rated invasion of sex, drugs and violence.

It's relentless as "Boogie Nights," but its spirit,

strangely, feels closer to "Jaws." It's essentially an old-fashioned scare movie,

with a human killer instead of a shark.

Lee, of course, isn't Steven Spielberg. For better and for worse, he's not that commercial-minded. At 2 hours and 45 minutes,

"Summer of Sam" has the

structure and ambition of a

major film, but it works best

as entertainment. Otherwise,

why get is structure and

ambition?

Enough time has passed to

make the film's setting, New

York City of 1970, seem

dated and as far away as

Paris of the '20s. On the verge

of bankruptcy, it was the city of

"Taxi Driver," not

"Seinfeld." It was a city going

nowhere, presaged on film by

Robert De Niro's Travis Bickle

and in real life by a pudgy

loner named David Berkowitz,

aka, Son of Sam.

In the real summer of

'77, New Yorkers were

terrified by this wily killer who

guined down women with long,

dark hair and wrote immediate

letters to tabloid columnist

Jimmy Breslin. With the police

seemingly no match for Sam,

women began wearing blonde

wigs and tattooed-goers

stayed home.

Like Lee's "Do the Right Thing," the new film is the

story of a neighborhood in

heat. It's the stories of "Summer of Sam" in an

Italian community in the

Bronx where friends, police

and a few mobsters drive

the plot. Lee wants to solve the crime. Sooner or

later everyone's a suspect,

from an unpopular local priest

to New York Yankees slugger

Reggie Jackson.

John Leguizamo stars as a

typical Lee anti-hero: a



Adrien Brody and John Leguizamo star in "Summer of Sam."

confused young man trying to do the right thing. He's a hairdresser named Vinny who cheats helplessly on his wife, Dionna (Mira Sorvino), and also has a best friend, Ritzone (Adrien Brody), a spike-haired punk high on the list of murder suspects.

The art of any good scare film is knowing how to use the monster. "Summer of Sam" is never more interesting than when you see these people obsessing about Sam. When you see Lee's Lee (Michael Imperioli), smashing his head against his apartment walls, hallucinating about his neighbor's black Labrador, which he believes sends him orders to kill.

Lee is smart enough not to give Sam too much screen time, but he ends up giving him too little. There are long stretches where you forget

about him entirely and the movie falls back on Italians using four-letter words.

"Summer of Sam" has a different feel for Lee. The cast is mostly white and the cinematography doesn't have the usual splashy colors. It's muted, brownish, as though what you're seeing is a light bulb about to burn out. The script, by Lee, Victor Colicchio and Michael Imperioli, is tightened than those for other Lee movies, but it's still too long and too broad.

But he always constructs at least a few great scenes. There's the scene of Dionna dancing to Marvin Gaye in an empty disco and Vinny pleading with Dionna not to leave him. And for a few minutes, there's a scene set to The Who's "Baba O'Riley." Lee lives up to his idol, Martin Scorsese.

— Associated Press

Davis attends library conference

Dawn Davis of the Madison Public Library joined librarians from public libraries throughout the state at Western Illinois University in Macomb for a week-long series of workshops presented by the Illinois Library Association, division of the Office of Secretary of State Jesse White. The Small Public Library

Management Institute was held June 8 to 11. "This year's institute participants attended an advanced program that emphasized administrative and leadership skills in exciting and different new ways with a focus on future trends," said Jean Wilkins, state library director.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY:

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CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You're up to scoring with the "biggies" in life today, so don't be afraid to think and act on a rather grand scale. Run shoulders with large groups, major projects or the top bananas.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Because you'll be quite capable of doing so today, pick up the pieces of something another discarded and use your talent and skills to turn it into a thing of beauty.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Even if you're not ready to launch anything at this time, sit down and lay out a sturdy foundation for a project you've been considering undertaking in the future.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Competitive endeavors that offer strong possibilities for gain could be just what the doctor ordered for you today. You'll not only enjoy the action, but the winnings as well.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

Don't waste time neglecting a matter that requires a decisive answer. Your reasoning powers are exceptional today, and the resolution you're seeking is right in front of you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Even if it appears that the control of a matter which is important to you rests solely in the hands of others, don't let concern get the best of you. The trends are moving in your favor today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

What enhances your ability to deal effectively with associates today is your willingness to cooperate and compromise. The example you set will influence your cohorts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb.

19) It'll be the challenging development that'll offer you the greatest prospects for success today. In things where less effort is required, the rewards could be minimal.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Don't deliberately seek out chancy situations today, but if confronted with any, you'll stand tall and the test. It's your logical assessments that'll help reduce any risk.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

So today, decide to spend time with the family. The involvements that'll produce

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TAURUS (April 20-May 19) If you stay positive today, you'll look in on victory. Plus, your enthusiasm will generate a similar response in those to whom your plans. It'll be a winning opportunity.

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Loving others helps build strength

Love is the highest and the most powerful force in the world

One of the most amazing examples I've ever read about Godly love is the story of what happened at one of the Special Olympics.

There were 11 physically and mentally handicapped children preparing to run a race. They all lined up at the starting line, and when the flag dropped, off they ran.

Suddenly, one child fell and started crying. The others ran on until one little girl in the race stopped and yelled to the others, "Wait a minute ... stop."

"They all stopped running."

The little girl went back to the child who had fallen, held her hand and helped her up. She once more signaled to the others, "Come back, come back."

The nine others came back to gather around the two girls. After a little huddle of whispering discussion, they all stood in a row and linked their arms.

As the crowd of spectators cheered, cried and applauded, all 11 walked to the finish line

A New You



Catherine Galasso

and crossed it together. They were all winners, and they showed the world how it really should be.

"Two are better than one ... if they both don't have a home," Ecclesiastes 4:9.

If you have lived long enough, at one time or another you have felt left out. These are the times to test ... and we must remember there is something special in every human being.

Genuine love looks for a way to express itself. I love the little poem that goes:

"They drew a circle that shut me out."

But love and I had the wit to win.

We drew a bigger circle that took them in.

We made others make you feel inferior, know that the problem is not you — it is with them. Little men demean and forsake.

God's love encourage and include, wanting to lift up others to be their very best. Valiant men and women produce sons who in victory, teach them to trust God.

"I have tried to teach my five children and six grandchildren to be good to people, and to try to help them," wrote reader Mary DeMio.

"Life is so short, so when you have the chance to show people the kinder side of life, why not?"

Before the foundation of the world, you were in the mind of

God. Know how very special you are. Knowing God's love allows you touch others with kind words, confidence and joy.

Build others up so they can realize their true worth. In doing so you bring yourself to the realization of the depths of love.

"Love is a fruit in season at all times and within the reach of every hand," Mother Teresa said.

God is love, therefore it must be the highest and the most powerful force in the world.

According to the Bible, "It never fails ... never." Do you realize that?

Men and women are welcome to attend.

The power of love that the little girl from the Special Olympics had, had the power to move hundreds of people to tears and joy.

We all have seen the results of the pleasure force in the lives of many famous people and in individuals and neighbors with whom we have come into contact.

Loving, caring and daring to make a difference for someone else will make the greatest difference in your own life — more than you can ever imagine.

Catherine Galasso is a free-lance columnist for the *Suburban Journals*. You may write to her at Suburban Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, 63131, or by e-mail at westnews@primary.net.

Organizations

Weekly

GATEWAY SOUNDS CHAPTER of Sweet Adelines meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Collinsville Senior Citizens Center, 420 W. Main in Collinsville. Women who sing in a four-part harmony barbershop style are welcome to audition. For more information, call 345-4605, 345-1688 or 398-6853.

SOCIETY OF THE PRESSES AND ANGLO-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF TRADE SHOE QUARTET SINGING IN AMERICA INC., Collinsville chapter, meets at 8 p.m. Mondays at American Legion Post 365, 1022 Vandalia St., Collinsville.

TOPS 1699 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays at Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards St.; call 797-7224 for more information. Men and women are welcome to attend.

TOPS IL 2417 meets at 6 p.m. Tuesdays at Calvary Lighthouse Church of God, 1280 W. Franklin, Edwardsville. Call 654-5072 for more information.

TOPS 2048 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at 6 p.m. Mondays at Mt. Zion Primary School Center in Granite City. Call 678-2124.

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Bi-monthly
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Monthly

GRAND PARENTS ASSOCIATION OF GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Granite City High School, 3101 Madison Ave. Call 451-5808 for more information.

BENEFIT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS, Granite City Lodge 1063, Maryville Road, Granite City, meets at 8 p.m. Tuesday. Call 931-3557 for more information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, 3rd Degree meets at 7:30 p.m. Monday at 4225 Old Alton Road. For more information, call 877-4250.

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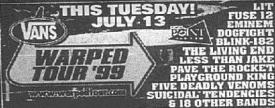
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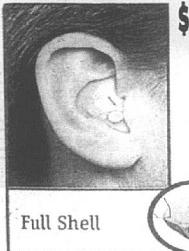
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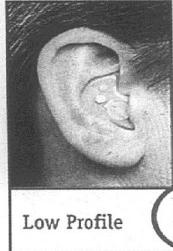


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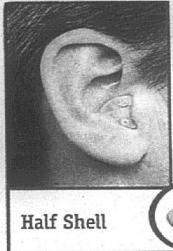


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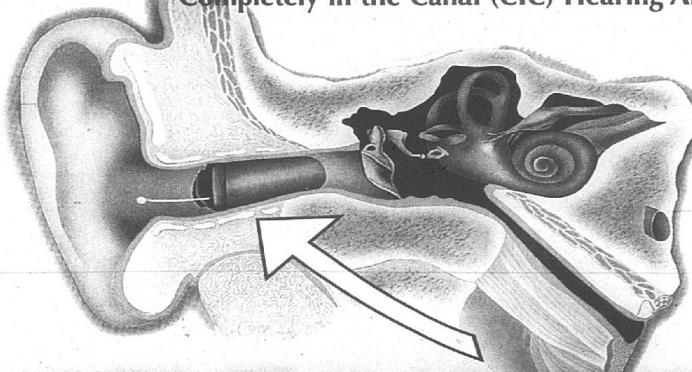


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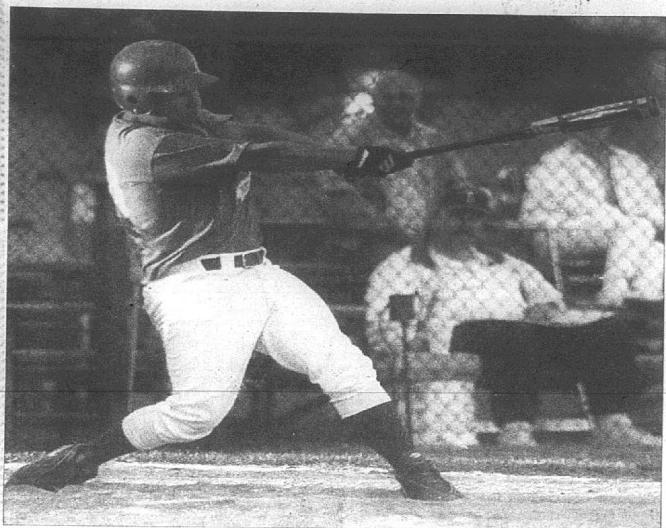
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Tri City's Shawn O'Dell has helped Post 113 put together a three-game winning streak. The team now has a 7-10 record.

Tim Stephenson photo

World Cup proves windfall for game

Girls in spotlight as national team makes bid for title on home soil

By Rick Broome
Staff writer

The ladies of the United States have taken center stage this month in a contest of the world's game.

SOCCER — The U.S. women's National Soccer team were bidding for the World Cup championship on Saturday in a showdown against China in the Rose Bowl in Pasadena.

The Women's World Cup has drawn record numbers for soccer and women's sports. Saturday's crowd was expected to be the largest ever to watch a women's sporting event and ESPN announced a record for televised soccer surpassing any viewership the network had ever had for the men's game.

Those numbers serve as proof of something which has been apparent in the Metro East during this year.

"I think obviously that girls soccer has really grown and the quality of girls soccer has really grown, and that's what it really good," said Gene Baker, Hinsdale High School coach.

"That's what this World Cup is doing: It draws attention not just to girls' soccer, as an activity, but also shows what dedicated, talented female athletes can really do when they demonstrate their skills," Baker added. "There are so many incentives for the female

athletes now. Obviously there are college scholarships and the World Cup. There looks to be a women's pro league in this country in the near future."

With more girls involved in youth athletics in general and soccer specifically, it has become apparent that many need sport heroes. Mia Hamm seems to be the perfect role model — tough as nails and as athletically gifted as any female player in America. The U.S. national team, considered Hollywood good looks. She is the prime example that none of the things that teenage girls cherish as important are compromised by soccer's easy grace.

"It's not just Mia Hamm, but others coming into the limelight because of what they represent," Baker said.

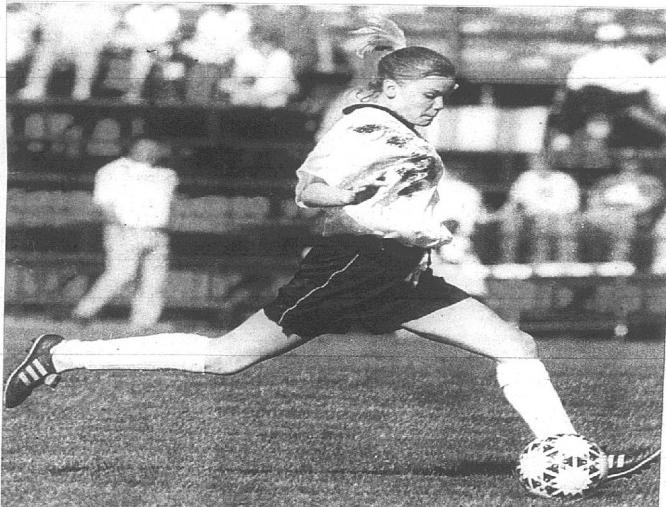
national team.

Ed Peck, the Illinois Youth Soccer Association ODP director, said being selected to the state team is a tremendous honor.

"It's a prestigious spot to be on a state team," Peck said. "College applications are now far, far away through the ODP process. We do furnish the state pool list to college coaches."

In order to make the state ODP team, players first are evaluated at tryouts throughout the state by the IYS, for regional teams. Players then are identified at the state tournament tryout for invitations to the state camp.

At the state camp, the Illinois state select team is determined and those



The U.S. women's team playing in the World Cup highlights opportunities for young soccer players like Granite City's Amber Hubert.

Tim Stephenson photo

Eleven local players selected to state ODP teams

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

Eleven players from the Metro East made the 1999 Olympic Development Program state team in their respective age groups.

Members of the state ODP teams were selected to compete with more than 100 players (in each age division) representing 13 states for spots on the regional team.

The boys regional tryouts were this week at Southeastern Illinois University-Edwardsville, while the girls regional tryouts began Wednesday at Northern Illinois University. Regional honorees can compete for spots on the

players represent the state at U.S. Youth Soccer Midwest Region II camp. Jessica Bayne of Troy was named to the girls under-14 team.

"The last two days of the camp she came on real strong," Peck said. "She is a good stick-and-ball-type person. She runs the field and plays real well. I think she has a real good chance of making the regional team."

Stacy Delucci of Collinsville and Erika Fodder of Granite City made the under-17 girls team.

"(Delucci) is an excellent goalkeeper. She is very good on distribution," Peck said. "She controls the backfield very well and in giving instruction to the team. She is very flexible, almost cat-like maneuvers."

"(Todd) is just a pure midfielder. She's another one that reads the game well and anticipates real well. She usually knows what she wants to do with the ball before she gets it. She is a well-balanced player."

Four local players made the under-14 boys squad: Ryan Neighbors (Belleville), Kyle Hency (Waterloo), Brian Grazier (Edwardsville) and Derek Pelate (Glen Carbon) all were selected to the team.

"Neighs" and Hency both play on Missouri club teams," Peck said. "They are very coachable players and heads-up players. They control the field and are a mirror-image of one another."

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League braces for boom

World Cup lifts interest level

By Scott Marion
Staff writer

The Belle-Clair Soccer League doesn't start practice for the 1999 season until July 26, and games don't start until the last weekend of August.

But when action does get underway, Jenny Richardson has no doubt that the league will benefit from the success of the U.S. women's soccer team, which was scheduled to play China on Saturday in the World Cup championship game.

Richardson, who coaches boys and girls teams and manages Belle-Clair's adult leagues, recently traveled to Chicago to see four World Cup games, including the U.S. States against Nigeria. She was able to get a first-hand look at how the team has boosted soccer interest throughout the nation, especially among girls.

"The start of Belle-Clair's season is good timing," Richardson said. "I went to see the games in Chicago and it was great. I was surprised to see as many boys as girls."

"I think that reflects the general interest in the game of soccer, and it's not just kids. I went with a group of eight adults. Even driving up there, we saw cars from Canada with Women's World Cup bumper stickers."

A Belleville East graduate, Richardson attended the school before it had a girls' soccer team.

"I played in sixth and eighth grade, but I didn't play again until I went away (to the College of St. Benedict in Minnesota) and walk-on," Richardson said. "I've coached boys and girls teams for a few years, but last year we started an adult league to involve parents involved. It's a lot of fun for people in their 30s and 40s."

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Casey sets Warrior Pride Stride record in women's division

By Rick Broome
Staff writer

The second annual Warrior Pride Stride was held at Granite City High School on June 12.

The 5K run and 2K run/walk is a fund-raising event for the Granite City High School Track and Field team.

Colleen Casey set a new course record in the women's division, winning the race with a time of 18:16. Lisa Ribe's old record of 19:12 was set last year.

The overall men's division winner was Mike Farrell with

a time of 15:30. The winners won plaques and a pair of running shorts.

Medals were awarded to the top three winners in 13 age divisions, and in the Clyde division, which is an open event for runners of all ages 185 pounds or less.

"We began working on this event in September, and we pay attention to every detail to make this a fun event for all the participants," said organizer and for all the volunteers who help run it," Brigg said. "We have already started talking about the race for next year."

Nearly 150 runners participated.

**Warrior Pride
Stride 5K Run
(June 12)**

Head coach Gene Briggs and assistant coaches Tom Miller, Larry Curry and Cindy Christian were instrumental in making this race a success.

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Overall winner — Colleen Casey, 18 minutes, 16 seconds (new course record).

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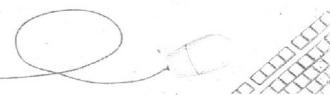
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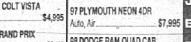
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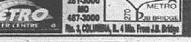


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Saab's 9-5 wagon is alternative to SUVs

By Tom Strongman

Given Saab's practical image, it is no surprise a station wagon variant of the 9-5 is following in the tracks of the sedan that bowed last year as a 1998 model.

The front-wheel-drive 9-5 sedan replaced the 9000 in Saab's lineup. The wagon has the same 106.4-inch wheelbase and interior dimensions. Overall it is a little longer, too, but the wagon weighs 100 pounds more than the sedan, which results in slightly decreased performance.

Key to the station wagon's appeal



is it retains the spacious interior and excellent driving dynamics of the sedan while adding the flexibility of a wagon. To me, sporty station wagons are eminently appealing because they drive and handle like a sedan, yet you still need to haul home bags of mulch for your flower beds, you got plenty of space.

The exploding popularity of sport-utility vehicles in this country relegated the wagon to a fairly narrow niche, whereas that's much more prevalent in Europe. There, they don't have the volume of minivans and SUVs from which to choose, so the station wagons are the rage there right now.

Sport wagons are easy to drive, fit in any garage and get much better

gas mileage than SUVs, many of which don't have much more interior space despite their bigger, bulkier size.

Saab figured its station wagon will be used for hauling, and consequently it incorporated a couple of neat strips of metal in the cargo area. Steel rails similar to those used in aircraft industry are bolted to the floor. These strips, called CargoTracks, can be used to secure your gear with special belts and nets so it doesn't slide around.

The other item is an optional sliding cargo floor that rolls out about 20 inches to facilitate loading heavy stuff. This sturdy floor can support up to 440 pounds when extended.

Powertrain choices include either a 2.3-liter four-cylinder or a 3.0-liter V-6, both turbocharged. The V-6 pumps out 200 horsepower and is unique in that it has only one turbocharger, whereas most V-6s would have two. The beauty of having one small turbo instead of two is simplicity and light weight.

The four-cylinder engine, which is standard on the car, is 170 horsepower and is available with a five-speed manual or a four-speed automatic, while the V-6 comes only with the automatic.

A 2.3-liter engine, even tur-

bocharged, is fairly small for a car that weighs about 3,700 pounds, yet it was surprising at how responsive it was to the accelerator.

From a stop, initial acceleration was rather sluggish unless the throttle was smashed. But selecting the button atop the shift lever helped up performance considerably because it raises the automatic's shift points.

Once rolling, the slightest kick of the accelerator gave an immediate downshift and a nice surge of power, though the turbo.

Inside, the instrument panel surrounds the driver so that all crucial controls are convenient by hand. Its wood trim not only looked good but also added a feeling of warmth.

The ignition key is mounted on

the central console in good Saab tradition, but it never got used to having it there. Ditching it, owners will feel right at home, however.

The seats on our test car were heated, front and rear, and the fronts were also ventilated. Two small fans blow air through holes in the leather upholstery, keeping the driver and passenger cool in the hottest of weather. The fans are loud enough to be heard, but their subtle cooling effect is welcome.

Allergy sufferers will like the fact the 9-5 has an electrostatic pollen filter and a charcoal filter to keep the interior free from odors, bacteria and pollen.

The 9-5 has a couple of noteworthy safety features. In side impacts, dual-stage side air bags protect both head and torso, and special head rests move up and forward to help "catch" the occupant's head and reduce whiplash in case of a rear-end collision.

In addition of the wagon, rounds out Saab's 9-5 product line and gives it a car that has the function of an SUV and the drivability of a sports sedan. For those who like to do their driving in style, the 9-5 is worthy of consideration.

The base price of our test car was \$34,000. Ventilated seats, heated front and rear seats and the automatic transmission brought the sticker price to \$37,195.

The warranty is for four years or 50,000 miles.



Ford to support alternative fuels program

The fly-fishing environmentalist, young new chairman of Ford Motor Co., is taking his beliefs seriously.

A week after William Clay Ford Jr. announced that a billion of the company's pickups, minivans and sport-utilities

would meet strict regulatory standards for lower-emission vehicles next year, the company announced it would spend at least \$1 million to boost the use of alternative fuels.

At the National Clean Cities Conference and Exposition held in Louisville, Ky., Ford

said it would support a pilot project to build systems that will dispense ethanol fuel in Minneapolis/St. Paul and Denver, and provide coupons to buyers of some Ford Ranger trucks in those cities.

Some Rangers are equipped to run on any combination of E85 ethanol and unleaded gas.

Ford also said it is working with several petroleum companies to develop a propane refueling network in the Denver area. There are plans to extend that network and the front range of the Rocky Mountains

from Cheyenne, Wyo., to Santa Fe, N.M. The company also will assist in developing natural gas fueling stations along Interstate 70 from Kansas City to Topeka, Manhattan and Fort Riley, Kan.

In the Louisville area, Ford is supporting the installation of ethanol and compressed natural gas fueling stations.

Ford has seven automobiles and trucks that are powered by propane, ethanol and natural gas.

Some car companies seem to

get the message better than

others. While adequate quality and reliability characterize almost every new car and truck made these days, some companies don't see any need to differentiate their look-alike's.

Crysler's Ram pickup has seen the benefits of doing some things differently, like inventing the minivan and introducing the first pickup truck.

The four-door Dodge Ram Quad Cab pickup has proved beneficial to the company, now DaimlerChrysler, and the benefit range has trickled down to the

St. Louis area. The four-door, full-size pickups, that also feature V-8 engines, are selling like hotcakes and now account for 65 percent of the Rams built at the company's Fenton truck assembly plant.

The introduction of pickups in general and the Ram have led the company to begin a \$435 million modernization of the plant. The project comprises a new mobile parts shop and \$12 million maintenance booth. The plant has built more than half a million Dodge Rams since 1995, when

the plant was converted to pick-up production.

When you think of America's great auto racing centers, you don't always include Columbia, Mo., Missouri's middle town, however, it is the home of an SCCA team that recently won first and second at a race in Ontario, Canada. Brian Simo, a native of California, won the race in his Valentine Ford Mustang. Columbia, a Missouri native Dorsey Schroeder was second.

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Art therapy draws emotions

Helps clients understand, resolve issues through creative process

By Barbara Ponder
Correspondent

Several years ago, Gussie Klorer, a child art therapist, cut hundreds of silvers of paper then put them into a coffee can.

"What are you doing?" Klorer asked the child.

"Making ashes," came the reply.

Klorer, an art therapist, picked up some scissors and began to help. Little by little, the child's drawing emerged.

The child was closing the door on her past — with a mother that had first abused then abandoned her, and opening herself up to the possibility of a better option.

"It was like that (project) symbolized her transition from having a mother who could never meet her needs to becoming a part of a family she'd never seen before," Klorer said. "It was just so profound."

The little girl intuitively knew how to work through her feelings with art, as do most of Klorer's clients.

"See that kind of stuff often, and I'm just blown away," said Klorer. "I always amazed at how art is a language that speaks the voice of art that works for them and their issues."

Klorer, of Ferguson, directs the graduate art therapy program at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

While the field doesn't require that a person be a great artist, said Klorer, it does take talent. An art therapist must be comfortable using a variety of media — including paint, clay and fab-

ric — and appreciate the creative process.

"You have to understand what it feels like to invest a lot of emotion in a piece of artwork and be surprised by its outcome," she said. "Because that way you can experience empathy with your client."

Careers in art therapy, which emerged in the 1930s, are found in institutions, clinics, schools, hospitals and other settings.

According to the American Art Therapy Association, the field is growing as it becomes more recognized.

Type of practice, job responsibilities and geographic area determine pay. The association reports entry-level incomes at about \$25,000 and median incomes of \$28,000 to \$38,000.

Top-level salaried administrators earn between \$40,000 and \$60,000.

Klorer began her career in art therapy about 20 years ago and works for nearly ten years at the Evangelical Children's Home in North County.

Her private practice in children, Klorer serves adults as well as children with learning disabilities or behavioral problems.

Some of her clients are coping with life issues such as divorce or the death of a parent.

The therapy is most effective if the client has little or no art training.

If you have art training, you're making decisions based upon aesthetic reasons," Klorer said. "So if you don't have any



Christian Gooden photo

Gussie Klorer uses art as therapy for children.

art training, you're much more spontaneous ... you're more attuned to the unconscious projections."

As a start, Klorer may instruct a client to create a picture that evokes feeling and connects with the client.

"It makes them make a decision about every inch of that paper," she said. "And that way they have to really invest more in the artwork rather than just do little scribbles or something."

Once completed, the client may write down his or her feel-

ings about the piece, perhaps in a poem, or just talk about it.

Klorer admits the profession has difficult moments, like when decisions must be made about clients, but she still describes it as "a joyous place to be."

"I get paid to draw and play with kids all day long," she said.

"It is so fun."

Her book, "Expressive Therapy with Troubled Children," will be released primarily for those in the field, it includes numerous examples of art healing children.

The method works partly because children and adults find it difficult to hide in art.

So often people are able to block things with words," Klorer said. "They can be defensive with words. They can hide behind words."

Creating a piece of art, in and of itself, is cathartic. The clues contained in the work are invaluable to the therapist in guiding the client to self-understanding and resolution of issues.

For example, a person makes many decisions simply in drawing a tree. The tree could be a certain type such as a weeping willow, could have crooked branches and a healthy root system or scrawny root system and a withered appearance.

Alone, the drawing may have little meaning, but combined with other pieces the client has created, personality and issues emerge.

"You start to see each person's unique way of responding to the world and a way of responding to an art directive," Klorer said. "One is a metaphor for the other."

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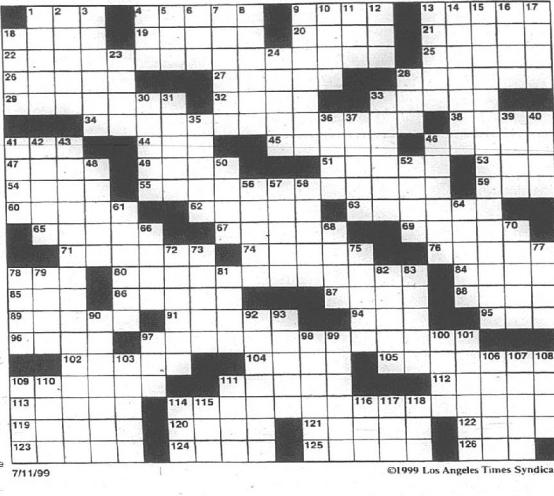
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2. Harvests
3. Remove
16. Astres. Chase
19. Dazzling display
20. Papillon's plaint
21. Novelist Zola
22. Over-eaters'
25. Marquis pants
26. Marise or
Rousseau
27. Smallest amount
28. Marie's
grander
29. Northern
Canadians
32. Actor Ray
33. Take illegally
34. Delayed marriage
syndrome?
35. King of spirit
41. One receives
42. Cade letter
45. Domingo,
or per.
48. Ave. of NYC
49. Chop choice
49. Aka. Cupid
51. Weather word
53. Payment
54. Sunburntness
55. Alternative way
of writing music?
59. Chic zone
60. In conflict
61. Sales chart
62. Give a new
version of
65. Test out
67. — a fiddle
68. Rain for office
71. Former
newspaper
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74. Footh
75. Cut through
78. Narcissist's
problem
80. More
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way of thinking?
81. Used to be
85. Circle section
86. Midwestern tribe



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In the classroom

Jason Mathes of Granite City recently received the Sigma A. Stump Award at Mlikin University in Decatur for senior history majors who have demonstrated ability in historical research in British or European topics. He also received the T.W. Samuels Award for out-standing student in pre-law. Jason is a 1995 graduate of Granite City High School.

David Joseph Kaspovich, son of Gloria and Gary Kaspovich of Granite City received his bachelors' science in chemical engineering from Washington University in St. Louis on Friday, May 14, 1999. He also received the Laura and William Jens Memorial Scholarship and Honorable Scholarship. David was a 1994 graduate of Granite City High School.

Steve Shaw, son of Bob and Sandy Shaw, graduated from the University of Phoenix with a Masters Degree in Business Administration. Steve was a 1987 graduate of Granite City High School.

Eric W. Terrell, son of Gary and Jolene Terrell of Granite City, received a Bachelor of science degree in Engineering and Applied Science from Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. on Friday, June 18, 1999.

Amanda Crabtree of Granite City was recently named to the Phi Kappa Phi honor society at Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau, Mo. She was inducted during a June 18 ceremony. The society recognizes academic excellence in students from all fields.

18, 1999. Eric was a Granite City High School graduate a National Science Foundation research assistant and member of Northwestern Engineering Student Council. He will be working for PriceWaterhouse Coopers and Lybrand LLP as a management consultant.

Diana (Guenther) Legate daughter of Lucille and Ray Guenther of Granite City was recognized for academic achievement by the Vice-President of Belleville Area College. Theodore H. Lewis. Diana maintained an accumulative GPA above 3.0 and was placed on the Vice-President's Honor List.

Ronald and Shari Shanafelt of Granite City prepared to enter college next fall by participating in Mac FIRST at Murray College in Jacksonville, Ill., May 3, 1999.

She plans to major in physical education at MacMurray. Ms. Shanafelt will be a 1999 graduate of Granite City Senior High School. Dean Hall said Mac FIRST provides new students

with: financial aid, information, registration, student life and a tour.

Carolyn Mildred Hopke of Granite City received a Master of Science degree with a major in secondary education from Southern Methodist University in Dallas on May 15.

Lori A. Cox, Donte L. Lang and Michael Miller of Granite City were named to the 1999 Spring Dean's List at Maryville University in St. Louis. To be eligible, students must carry at least 12 semester hours, having a minimum of a B+ average with no single grade below a B.

Jeffrey M. Ahlers and David F. Schallert both of Granite City were among new freshman students who participated June 19 in Freshman Orientation activities at Illinois College in Jacksonville, Ill. The program gave newcomers the opportunity to meet faculty, register for classes, purchase books, finalize on-campus housing arrangements and get acquainted with fellow students and staff.

Melanie Sumiko Kosuge, daughter of Kenji and Karen Kosuge of Granite City received a Bachelor of science degree from Northwestern University School of Speech in Evanston, Ill. on June 18. Melanie was a graduate of Granite City High School. She received the Illinois Academic and Northwestern Volunteer Network and a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

Amanda Gale Crabtree of Granite City recently named to the Phi Kappa Phi honor society at Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau, Mo. Amanda was inducted into the organization during a ceremony June 18. Phi Kappa Phi is an international honor society for academic achievement and brings together individuals from a variety of disciplines. The society is open to men and women in all academic fields who have demonstrated excellence of scholarship and integrity of character.

Allyssa Marsalla is 4. Geneva "G" Willoughby is 42. Jordan Jeffrey Padgett Foltz is 3.

Celebrating an anniversary: Terri and Gary Rainwater, 8 years.

July 16

Lauren Elizabeth Lee turns 12

Ethel Mueller is 93.

Steven Matthew Reed is 8

July 17

Donnie Cathey turns 14

Deja Cathey is 9.

Joseph Mangiaracino is 54.

Christine Rodriguez is 32.

Donald George Kyler is 35.

Celebrating an anniversary: Ray and Diane Nash, 34 years.

Also celebrating an anniversary: Lynne and Charles Davis.

July 18

William "Little Bill" Levart turns 5

Benjamin Jakob Petri is 4.

Devon Michael Petri is 4.

Carolyn Ryterski is 24.

Also celebrating birthdays are: Bob Page, Chris Shields and Jodi (Ostresh) Modrusic.

Tricia Smith Grammer turns 45.

Lisa Badgett is 20.

Emily Gavilsky is 16.

July 19

Loren Allen Taylor turns 15.

Milestones

July 11
Ricky Joe Collison Jr. turns 26.
Brady Rainwater is 2.
Also celebrating birthdays are:
Ralph W. Baker, Virginia Kit-
tel and Kathy Broderick.

Celebrating an anniversary:
Leonard and Paula Koliste, 24

years, and Sue and Steve Skok-
io, 14 years.

Also celebrating an anniversary:
Lyne and Charles Davis.

July 12

Don Ugenis turns 25.

Tommy Schmidt is 8.
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July 13

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Divorces

Marriage dissolutions granted recently in Third Circuit Court in Madison County include:

John Kerber of Granite City and Sherry (Mitchell) Kerber of Granite City; married Oct. 10, 1980.

Steven Lloyd Barnes of

Granite City and Misty Lynn (Householder) Barnes of Granite City; married Dec. 25, 1994.

F. Craig Garrett of Venice and Ladonna Whitner of Edwardsville; married Aug. 20, 1994.

To submit an update or entry, send a postcard to "Milestones," Granite City Journal, 1815 Delmar Ave., Granite City, IL 62040.

Please notify the paper if a person listed in Milestones has passed or no longer wishes to be listed.

FREE GED CLASSES

DAYTIME CLASSES

BAC's Belleville Campus, 2500 Carlyle Ave.

Register at 9 a.m., Thursday, July 15, in the Varsity Gym lobby.

Class meets from 9 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., weekdays, from July 15 to Aug. 10.

Cahokia Goodwill Center, 1040 Camp Jackson Road.

Register at 9 a.m., Thursday, July 15, in the Career Center lobby.

Class meets from 9 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., weekdays, from July 15 to Aug. 10.

Centreville City Hall, 5800 Bond Ave.

Register at 11 a.m., Thursday, July 15, in the City Hall lobby.

Class meets from 11 a.m. to 2:50 p.m., Monday-Thursday, from July 15 to Aug. 10.

East St. Louis Community College Center, 501 James R. Thompson Blvd.

Register at 9 a.m., Thursday, July 15, in Room 1005.

Class meets from 9 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., weekdays, from July 15 to Aug. 10.

Granite City Campus, 4950 Maryville Road.

Register at 9 a.m., Thursday, July 15, in the Granite City Campus cafeteria.

Class meets from 9 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., weekdays, from July 15 to Aug. 10.

Helen Davis Family Center, 109 N. 13th St.

Register at 9 a.m., Thursday, July 15, at the center.

Class meets from 9 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., weekdays, from July 15 to Aug. 10.

EVENING CLASS

Red Bud Campus, 500 W. South Fourth St.

Register at 6:30 p.m., Monday, July 12, in Room 114.

Class meets from 6:30-9:20 p.m., Mondays & Wednesdays, from July 12 to Aug. 11.

For information, call (618) 235-2700, ext. 5525,
or toll-free at 1-800-BAC-5131,
ext. 5525.

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